

# RIVERS RISE

## All Over Ohio, Causing Great Damage.

### CAME SUDDENLY.

Losses in and Around Springfield Foot Up \$100,000—Hundreds Homeless at Zanesville.

Cincinnati, March 14.—The worst flood in decades threatens the lower Ohio river valley. It is expected that the 65-foot stage recorded in January will be reached to-day, if not surpassed. Only February, 1884, saw a higher flood mark. The worst feature of the present situation is the suddenness of the rise, the waters finding many communities unprepared for a repetition of their January experiences.

The Muskingum, Scioto, Great and Little Miami from the north and the Kanawha, Big Sandy and Licking rivers from the south have not only poured their surplus into the Ohio, but have laid waste farms and villages along their banks. Breaks in the big oil and natural gas pipe lines were reported at a number of points between the West Virginia fields and the Ohio towns depending on them.

In this city the river has begun to encroach on the lower business sections.

All railroads in the valley are in trouble, delays to many trains and the annulment of others being general. Cincinnati railroads were driven from the central passenger station.

Zanesville, O., March 15.—The Muskingum river at this point had reached a stage of 31 feet at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon and was rising one and a half inches per hour. The high stage of 1898 was 36.8 feet. The Licking river is still rising slowly. However a report from Newark, 25 miles above, at 5 o'clock was that the river at that point had dropped four feet during the afternoon. This is expected to partly relieve the flooded districts in this city, providing the expected rise in the Muskingum does not offset the fall in the smaller river.

Reports from Coshocton, 30 miles north, where the Tuscarawas and Walbonding form the Muskingum, are that the two former rivers are rising rapidly and a downpour of rain has continued all afternoon. It is expected that the Muskingum at this point will not reach its highest point before noon to-day.

Mayor Deacon has sworn in 50 extra police to work in the flooded districts. Many complaints were made to the police Thursday that owners of boats were charging exorbitant prices for moving persons from houses in the flooded district, so an order was issued to patrolmen and firemen to confiscate all boats whose owners were found charging more than a reasonable rate. Fees of from \$2 to \$15 were demanded for removing families from their homes to places of safety before the officers took a hand.

Springfield, O., March 15.—The Mad river lowlands to the north of this city, and in some instances to the southwest, are vast lakes, caused by the almost unprecedented rise of that river and its tributaries. It is estimated that the total flood loss in the farming districts and in the flooded districts of this city will reach \$100,000. More than 200 houses were flooded, but the waters have slowly receded and many families are moving back, or from the second to the first stories. While the local floods have reached a slightly higher stage on one or two former occasions, streams have never before risen with such unexpected rapidity.

**The Gowanus Still Aground.**  
New York, March 15.—The result of the stranding of the steamer Gowanus off Great South Beach, Long Island, Wednesday. The life saving crews attempted to put a working crew on her decks. As the lifeboat approached in a heavy sea the steering sweep snapped and Edward Johns was swept overboard and lost. The Gowanus swung broadside on the sands and pounded heavily. Finally the 17 Chinamen in the crew were landed in the breeches buoy. Capt. Forbes and crew of 13 white men remained aboard.

**Kidnapped Boy Is Found.**  
Salt Lake, March 15.—Horace Marvin, Jr., the kidnapped son of Dr. Horace Marvin, of Dover, Del., is in the hands of the Salt Lake police. Officers discovered him in the hands of a man and two women on southbound train last night. The people who had possession of the boy are under arrest.

**Honduran Rebels Win a Victory.**  
Managua, Nicaragua, March 15.—Honduran revolutionists have defeated the forces of President Bonilla, of Honduras, near Tegucigalpa, after 11 hours' fighting. The revolutionists captured 70 officers and soldiers. Many men were killed on both sides.

**Minor Punishment Was Swift.**  
Minnow, March 15.—Four revolutionist youths who were captured here two days ago at the end of a fight between the authorities and a band of agitators, were tried by court-martial Thursday, sentenced to death and executed.

**Japan Children Enter Frisco School.**  
San Francisco, March 15.—Ninety Japanese girls who had applied for admission to the Redding primary school were admitted Thursday after an examination as to their knowledge of the English language.

OF COURSE, HE DIDN'T MEAN THIS.



Mr. Harriman Says the Present Railway Equipment is Inadequate Considering the Amount of Dead Weight That Must Be Hauled.

### VALUES VANISHED RAPIDLY.

Another Day of Panic in Wall Street—The Government Comes to the Relief of the Money Situation.

New York, March 15.—Under the effect of 25 per cent. money and the generally pessimistic sentiment developed as a result of the recent heavy decline, trading on the stock market Thursday reached a stage of demoralization bordering on actual panic. The worst period of the day was shortly before the closing of the stock exchange, although there was an extremely violent falling off in prices between 12 and 1 o'clock. New low records for the year, and in some instances for several years, were established in the active speculative issues under precipitate selling.

Some of the most conspicuous of the day's extreme declines were: Union Pacific 25 1/4, Reading 23 1/4, American Smelting 21 1/4, Amalgamated Copper 18 1/4, Delaware & Hudson 18 1/4, and St. Paul, Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific, Great Northern preferred, Anaconda, Pullman, Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Brooklyn Transit 10 to 13 1/2. Severe losses of less amounts were universal.

The announcement of government relief for the money situation was not received until after the close of the stock exchange.

Other than high money and the generally bearish feeling, there was nothing to account for the marked weakness unless it was the nervousness of stock market traders as to the attitude of the national administration toward railroad corporations. Just before the mid-day break a rumor was circulated and was given considerable credence, that a banker who had just returned from Washington had reported to his friends that the president had declared that his views as to the railroads had not changed.

Washington, March 15.—The secretary of the treasury has instructed collectors of customs at places where it is found to be desirable, to deposit their customs receipts with national bank depositories already established in the same cities as the customs houses. The secretary also has issued a circular announcing that he will redeem with interest to July 1 any registered and coupon bonds, 4 per cent, 1907, to an amount not exceeding \$25,000,000. The bonds may be presented at once for redemption. The secretary also has announced that under the circular of October 22, 1906, \$18,000,000 in circulation required to be reduced may be retained with the security now on deposit.

**Engineer and Fireman Killed.**  
Dayton, O., March 15.—Martin Glancy, engineer, and Clark Griffin, fireman, of Dayton, were killed Thursday afternoon in the ditching of a Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton passenger train near Jacksonville, O. Harry Kline, a trainman, was hurt. The passengers were badly shaken up.

**Demarest Is Champion.**  
New York, March 15.—Calvin Demarest, of the Chicago Athletic association, lived up to his reputation as an amateur billiardist when he won the national amateur championship at 14.2 ball line last night. He defeated Edward W. Gardner, of Passaic, N. J., last year's winner. He won with a clean score of five victories and no defeats. Gardner and Charles F. Conklin, of Chicago, are tied for second place, each having won three games and lost two. J. F. Poggenburg, of the local club, won fourth place. Dr. L. L. Mial, of this city, gets fifth place and T. M. S. Reile, of Philadelphia, sixteenth.

**Street Railroaders' Strike Ends.**  
Louisville, Ky., March 15.—The 800 striking union employees of the Louisville Railway Co. last night accepted terms agreed on by their executive committee and the company. All the strikers will go back to work and full service on the lines operated by the company will be resumed to-day. The settlement provides for an increase of from 18 to 20 cents an hour for new men and 22 cents for all employees after the first year; 25 cents for overtime; 30 minutes for lunch; all strikers to be restored to their old positions and an "open shop" for the company.

**Conference Will Be Held Next Week.**  
Washington, March 15.—The conference with the four railroad magnates which was granted by the president at the request of J. P. Morgan, will be held early next week. It is understood that the railway officials will urge Mr. Roosevelt to take some steps to "alleviate the public anxiety now threatening to obstruct railroad investment and construction and as to the relations between the railroads and the government."

# AS IN VENICE.

## Pittsburgers Use Boats for Street Travel.

### GREATEST FLOODS

Known There in Years Paralyze Business and Result in the Loss of at Least 14 Lives.

Pittsburg, March 15.—The greatest flood in the history of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and western Ohio is being experienced. At 7 o'clock last night the water reached a stage of 34.6 feet at Herr's Island and 34.4 feet at Market street. The water continues at Market street.

At midnight the flood situation by reason of the sudden rise in the Allegheny river took on a more serious aspect than at any period in the present flood. At that hour the stage was 55.1 and rising a foot an hour. The sudden rise was due to the breaking of ice jorges at Parker and Freeport. With this rise the city is gradually being submerged. Several newspapers were compelled to call upon their correspondents to assist in getting out morning editions because press rooms were flooded and fire engines were called into service to pump basements in an effort to save property loss.

Conditions in this city are the worst ever recorded. The whole lower down town district is under water and people are moving about in wagons and skiffs. Duquesne way, Penn avenue and Liberty street, running parallel with the Allegheny river, are submerged to a depth of several feet. Hundreds of business houses located in this district are flooded. In a number of instances the water is almost up to the second floor.

The Gayety, Belasco, Alvin and Bijou theatres are surrounded by water and will be unable to open for several days. Water has destroyed or greatly damaged the power plants of all four theatres.

The guests in the Colonial, Lincoln, Annex and Anderson hotels are either marooned or compelled to use skiffs to and from the buildings.

Trolley service between Pittsburg and Allegheny was suspended early Thursday and last night the scenes at the Union depot of the Pennsylvania railroad were almost beyond description. Great placards announcing the inauguration of a special train service to Allegheny were displayed all throughout town. At the depot were thousands of people—a chaotic mass of humanity shouting and pushing, in their efforts to board these trains, for Allegheny or the many suburbs adjacent to the city.

Trolley, elevator and telephone service is demoralized in different sections. Electric light plants in many down town buildings are out of commission and candles or gas-light is being used. Within the last 36 hours 14 fatalities directly due to the flood have occurred.

The damage to perishable goods and property in the Pittsburg district alone will amount to \$1,000,000, probably more. In addition to this, much destruction is being done to property throughout western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

At Connelville, Pa., the damage to the coke region is estimated at \$2,000,000. Over 100,000 persons are temporarily out of employment. The Westinghouse works, employing 30,000, are shut down and the damage to machinery is estimated at \$50,000. All the mines are affected. The steel and iron mills are at a standstill and fully 50,000 men are idle. Hundreds of stores and business houses in the down town section are partially submerged and have closed their doors.

In the suburbs of Aspinwall, Sharpsburg, Elma and Millvale over 500 families are living in the second story of their homes. Many houses in these suburbs have been undermined and the foundations weakened and are in danger of collapsing. The greater portion of Monongahela, Pa., is under water.

Several engine houses in Pittsburg and Allegheny are out of commission and quarters have been engaged at hotels for the firemen.

The present flood is one of the most remarkable on record. It came unexpectedly and there was not sufficient time to prepare for it.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 15.—Wheeling is in the midst of the worst flood since 1884. Last night at 3 o'clock the marks showed 44 feet and rising four inches an hour, with the expectation that the top notch will be reached at noon to-day with between 47 and 48 feet. This completely isolates the city from the rest of the world, every railroad and trolley line having suspended, and there can be no resumption of communication by rail to-day before Sunday or Monday.

In Wheeling and the surrounding towns of Benwood, Martins Ferry, Bridgeport, Belleisle, McMechen and Bridgeville the flood has wholly or partially submerged fully 3,000 houses and probably 15,000 persons have been driven from their homes or to upper floors. The situation is more serious on Wheeling Island and in Benwood and South Wheeling, where thousands have been compelled to leave their homes and seek refuge on higher grounds. Hundreds of sick persons have been moved from the flooded district and every conveyance in the city is commanding a premium.

# OHIO NEWS NUGGETS.

## Three Hoodlums Are Fined.

Columbus, O., March 15.—Three of the men indicted by the grand jury for accepting and giving bribes in connection with the Broad street paving, plead guilty Thursday when arraigned. They are Nelson Cannon, ex-manager of the Trinidad Paving Co.; Arthur Beck, ex-assistant city engineer, and Alfred Schumaker, ex-city inspector. Cannon, Beck and Schumaker were fined as follows: Cannon \$550, Beck \$1,175 and Schumaker \$200. No jail sentence was imposed. Members of the board of public service, Fred J. Immel and Fred Lied, pleaded not guilty, as did also M. F. Bramley, of Cleveland, president of the Trinidad Paving Co., H. C. Lang and R. S. Rhoades, all indicted for bribery.

## Students Defaced a Tabernacle.

Oberlin, O., March 15.—The tabernacle on the college campus, in which Rev. Lyon conducted his revivals, was painted by students Wednesday night, and several collegians face expulsion. The college authorities are making every endeavor to learn who are responsible. "Baby Food on Tap," "Freshman Pony Stable," "Freshman Zoo," "Ten-cent Circus," and other similar signs adorned the edifice when Oberlin's gaze fell upon it Thursday morning. The signs were done in freshmen colors. "Side Show Specialty" by Hart, Dalsell and Geist," was directed at three freshmen who had been prominent in the revival work.

## Killed His Wife and Himself.

Lorain, O., March 15.—Driven insane by jealousy, Sam Kovats, a Hungarian employed at the steel plants shot and instantly killed Rosie, 21 years old, his bride of six months in the family's rooms Wednesday night. After the shooting Kovats fled from the scene of the murder to the street below, but in a few minutes returned and standing over the body of his victim, fired a bullet into his left eye. He was removed to St. Joseph's hospital, where he died. Within three days after the marriage, friends say, Kovats began to beat his bride.

## Must Pay 42 Per Cent. Dividend.

Cleveland, March 15.—Judge Schwan on Thursday ordered the W. M. Pattison Supply Co. to pay a dividend of 42 per cent. on its capital stock of \$50,000. This is the first time any court in this county has made a dividend order. It must be paid within 60 days. The suit was brought by Charles F. Dreher, a stockholder, who charged the officers of the corporation were drawing exorbitant salaries and that money that should have been used to pay the dividends was diverted to other purposes. There was no order by the court as to salaries.

## Hotel Wrecked by Gas Explosion.

Youngstown, O., March 15.—An explosion of natural gas in the Hotel Selow, Thursday, caused probably fatal injury to G. E. Rutter, of Akron, who was occupying the room where the explosion occurred. Another Akron man, G. W. Ashley, is seriously injured. Rutter had evidently left the gas turned on during the night and went to light it again. Six rooms were wrecked, the walls being blown down, and some of the men were blown from their beds.

## Three Men Drowned.

Zanesville, O., March 15.—Three Hungarians employed at the tube works were drowned Thursday. A score or more of these foreign workmen were living in a house that was surrounded by the Muskingum river overflow. When they started to wade to land three were caught in the current and swept out into the river.

## Editors Are Cited for Contempt.

Columbus, O., March 15.—The managing and city editors of all the Columbus newspapers have been cited to appear before Judge Evans to-day and show cause why they should not be cited in contempt for publishing reports of indictments in the bribery and other grand jury cases before warrants were served.

## Mrs. Felcht Is Acquitted.

Cleveland, March 15.—The jury which on Thursday freed Mrs. Mary E. Felcht, on trial in the United States district court on charges of mailing obscene letters in Canton, was severely censured by United States Judge Taylor before it was discharged. Judge Taylor spoke of the verdict as a miscarriage of justice.

## Refused to Extradite Bryant.

Columbus, O., March 15.—A dispatch from Lansing, Mich., says Gov. Warner has again refused to extradite Ira S. Bryant, whom the fire marshal wants for arson in Williams county. Bryant in defense charged that under ex-Marshall Hollenbeck a gigantic system of blackmail was conducted in Ohio.

## Pear Show for Collecting Damages.

New York, March 15.—As a result of an order granted Thursday by Judge Adams in the United States district court, the stockholders of the Joy Line Steamship Co. have limited their liability in connection with the Larchmont disaster to \$103.12. This means that the survivors can recover collectively \$103.12 and no more. Under Federal law the liability of a steamship company in case of a disaster is limited to the value of the wreck. The petition filed by the Joy line stated that the Larchmont had foundered in water so deep that the vessel was never located. All that was recovered was one lifeboat, some life preservers and \$103.12.

## Electric Light Plant Disabled.

Kent, O., March 15.—Lightning on Thursday burned out an armature at the light station and the greater part of Kent, including the business section, will be dark until Friday night. The loss to the plant is about \$2,000.

# LEFT EVIL LEGACY

## MISFORTUNE BANS TREE PLANTING BY BAD MAN.

Superstitious Mexicans Believe Implicitly in Story of Misadventure and Its Punishment—Tragic Deaths Have Been Many.

The tree of Tula and the tree of Sad Night are known throughout the world but there is a tree in Mexico which has acquired a local reputation somewhat shady.

El Arbol Maldito is said to have been planted by a gentleman who had the misfortune to be swallowed up by Mother Earth on account of his crimes. He was known throughout the country as unhombre muy malo. He never went to mass, never confessed his sins, nor did he have the image of a saint in his house, wear a rosary around his neck or make the sign of the cross as a respectable man should. He never gave a beggar even a centavito, and when he met a padricro on the street he did not deign to remove his hat.

Now it was rumored, says Modern Mexico, that this gentleman was responsible for many murders and atrocious crimes of every description, but he was never confined in jail because it was known that he had a compact with the devil, so that whenever he invoked his Majesty he was rendered invulnerable to the human eye, or at least so small that he could easily escape. He was shunned by all, and he had neither friends nor relatives.

But a peculiar thing about this man was that he loved the trees, the birds and all the animals. He planted a great many trees and fed a flock of birds every morning.

It was many years ago that the event of his departure took place, but is still remembered by the ancient inhabitants of the neighborhood. Every body on the Hacienda ranch had attended the religious services of the morning, and they were returning home when a terrific noise was heard.

They rushed to the street where it came from, and there they saw how the earth had opened up under the feet of that horrible man. He was enveloped by thick flames and smoke and quickly disappeared beneath the surface of the earth.

This was considered a just punishment in view of the situation, and every one was exceedingly pleased. While the faithful had been attending the services of the church the cursed one had nothing else to do but place a burning cigarette between the lips of an altar on the street. It was then that the convenient cavity opened up and he was engulfed by the earth.

That very day all the trees which he had planted, except El Arbol Maldito, dried up and died—and so did the birds which he had fed from his own hand. An attempt was made to cut down the tree that did not dry up, but the foolish man who made the attempt dropped dead on stepping under the shadow of the foliage. As no one had the temerity to approach and remove it the man's body had to be left there to be eaten by the crows.

Since that day many have met a tragic death under the tree. A pedestrian who went under it for shade on a summer day was bitten by a snake and died in two hours. Three men on different occasions sought shelter from rain under its branches and were struck by lightning.

A woman hanging some clothes to dry from the trunk of the tree was attacked by a goat that came from no body knows where and was never seen again. Three years ago a little boy riding a burro, led his animal to the tree. He was thrown off and kicked to death.

The last victim of this fatal tree was a man by the name of Melquides Arevalo, who ran under it for shelter during a rainstorm a year ago, and like his predecessors, he was struck by lightning.

The antipathy that the peons have for this tree is such that they refuse to work in the fields for half a mile around it. Some time ago Prospero Garcia, proprietor of the ranch where El Arbol Maldito grows, resolved to have it blown up with dynamite, but no doubt he has been unable to find a man brave enough to venture near a tree which shows such symptoms of a haunted life.

## Cheers as a Mind Drill.

When the Romans placed over the door of the temple of Janus "Ex Oriente Lux et Ludum Scaecorum" (out of the East came light and the game of chess) they spoke of the two greatest behests that the storied East had ever made to the young and aggressive West—the light of religion and the greatest mental achievement of man since he came through Eden's frowning portals.

In the middle ages when the monks and abbots watched from afar the brutal soldiery of Christendom swooping down like a pestilence on the sunny plains of the South they chanted "A future Normanorum libera nos, O Dominus" (from the fury of the North men deliver us, O God) and returned to chess—all that was left a noble soul in a vain and turbulent world.

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